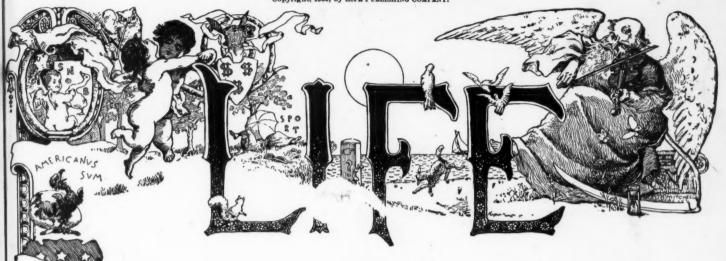
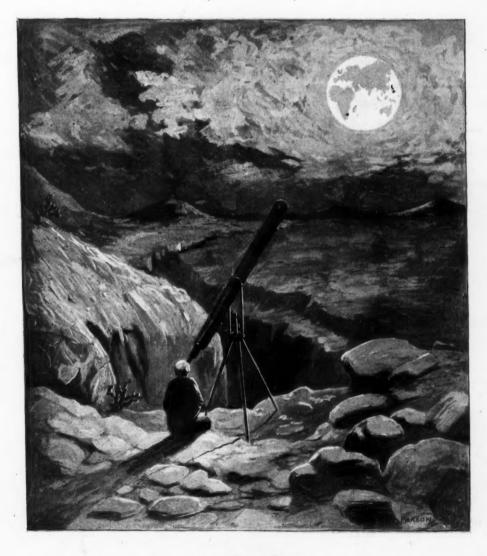
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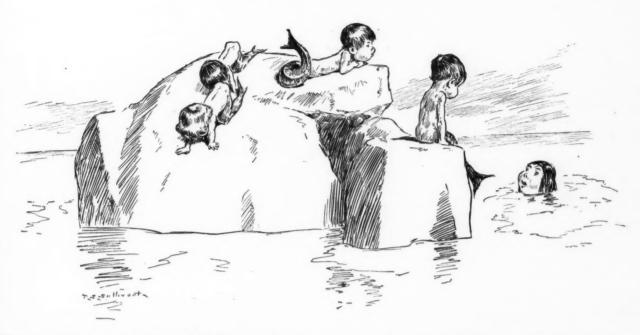
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# LIFE



Mamma Mermaid: GOODNESS GRACIOUS, CHILDREN! WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY PLAYING OUT THERE IN THE AIR? YOU'LL GET YOUR TAILS DRY AND CATCH YOUR DEATH O' COLD, COME UNDER THE WATER AT ONCE!

#### Cupid's Guesswork.

MISUNDERSTANDING by nothing was wrought-He thought that she thought-and she thought that he thought-.

#### Well!

THESE bold words with a wicked sound are from The Schoolmaster:

The clergyman who cannot climb above his creed is a machine Christian and takes his orders from the boss—just like any other politician. There are no creeds in the scheme of salvation. What a ridiculous notion that no man can go to heaven without the permission of some syndicate of hypocritical jackasses who presume to have a monopoly of God's mercy, as though heaven was some theatre, and all the seats were sold in advance to a lot of holy speculators.

We have often heard something to this effect, but never in just these words.

#### An Able Advocate.

BROADWAY: Since going to England Choate has apparently lost his wit. To judge from his public utterances, he is becoming stupid.

MANHATTAN: That merely shows the wonderful adaptability of the man.

 $A^{
m FTER}$  all, is a man so very domestic who spends his evenings at home so that he can keep up his quarrels with his wife?



Fire Fly: WELL, I'LL NEVER GET ARRESTED FOR NOT CARRYING A LIGHT.



"While there is Life there's Hope."

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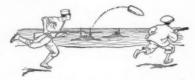
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THE Boxers, in so far as China alone is concerned, seem to be rather a praiseworthy lot of men. Their idea is China for the Chinese, and that in itself is a good idea for Chinamen to hold. They won't work out their idea intelligently of course. They will do a lot of killing and other mischief: they will try to shut all the open doors and pitch foreigners and

foreign notions out of China. They are fanatics, and represent ignorance and superstition, but they also represent the strenuous life and reform. They are a sign of life in the Chinese people. Dead people don't have diseases, neither do dead nations. The Boxers have broken out on China like the measles, and their uprising means, among other things, that China isn't dead yet. There was ample occasion for them. Little as most of us know about the Imperial Government of China, we think we know that it is a government of conspiracies, moribund, inefficient, unworthy; hopelessly bad and hopelessly feeble. For years past it has seemed bound to go down, and the only question has been how, and when, it would go. That question the Boxers seem to be answering. The ferment in China, of which they are the most conspicuous part, is the sort of smash that precedes reorganization. The smash will doubtless include the Boxers who brought it on, but the reorganization is inevitable, and in the end it must lead to the modernizing of the Chinese. China needs strong medicine, and the more she gets from the inside, the less work there will be left to be effected by external applications.



THE persons who are supplying the world with the present serial story of Chinese doings have been wonderfully successful in keeping up public interest in their tale by emphasizing the mystery of it. At this writing it has been running something more than a fortnight, with huge rumblings and incessant rumors, and all we know of what has happened would hardly fill six lines of news-Admiral Seymour went to paper. Pekin and did not arrive, but was brought back with difficulty, with several hundred of his men killed or wounded. When we see the Major, and Colonel Hay, and Lord Salisbury, and the Emperor William, standing day after day at the telephone ringing up the Boxers, or anyone in China who is not busy; and when we observe that the Boxers pay no attention, and that everyone in China who knows anything seems too much engaged to satisfy our reasonable curiosity, we cannot but be impressed with the engrossing quality of incidents which no one who is watching them finds leisure to describe.



Let us believe as much as we can in the prospect of improved relations with the Filipinos. We are told that General MacArthur has offered amnesty to all the fighting Tagals and that some of their chiefs have been considering terms of surrender. The prospect that fighting will cease is not

yet good, of course; but it is better than usual. The point of most difficulty in arranging for peace seems to be the disposition to be made of the friars. We are told that the insurgents, and the Filipinos generally, want the friars expelled. The hitch about expelling them is something in the treaty with Spain that binds us to respect property rights, for the friars are holders of a vast deal of property in the Philippines. No doubt we shall honor our treaty obligations. But if we ever get to a point where the friars alone stand between us and terms of amity with the Filipinos, it cannot be doubted that the holy men will recognize that the position that they occupy is perilous to themselves as well as detrimental to the interests of the country. and that their diplomacy, combined with ours, will discover some satisfactory way to get them out of it.



NOW that Julian Ralph has got back to London where the ink and pens are good and meals are regular, he is writing very edifying things about the South African war. There was a time when he applied himself to upholding the glorious justice of the English cause, and the defects of the Boers, but nowadays the burden of his cry is the vileness of war as an occupation, especially in South Africa. He can't say bad enough things about the job of fighting Boers, and he says them, as usual, in a very interesting way.

One thing he has said lately is that the average British officer is an amateur, brave and dutiful, but not really skilled in his business. He knows polo, cricket, hunting and the races, but not war. War interests him as a form of sport, but he doesn't work at it as men work at the profession in which they expect to win or bust.

It is a sad conclusion. If men who love pleasure and hate headwork don't make even efficient military officers, then is there no escape from working for what you get in this world.

#### A Pessimistic Version.

LIVES of great men all remind us That there isn't any doubt Footprints that we leave behind us Will be very soon washed out.

#### The Wedding.

MARRIAGES are sometimes affairs of the heart: weddings of the pocketbook. Marriages are popularly supposed to be made in heaven, but the wedding bills are paid on earthfirst, by the bride's father, and often afterward by the same. This depends upon how much money he has and how much nerve the bridegroom has.

The annals of time have failed to preserve a record of the first wedding. There can be no doubt, however, that it was held in a cave, and that papa paid the freight.

Weddings are of two kinds-the kind where the groom wants a quiet wedding and doesn't get it, and where the bride wants an unquiet wedding and gets it. By an unquiet wedding is meant one that speaks for itself.

The ideas of a bride and bridegroom differ about weddings. The Desert of Sahara, the Gulf of Mexico and the



WHY, IT'S WHAT TOOK FIRST PRIZE AT "WHAT IS IT? THE DAWG SHOW!"

Pacific Ocean are all reasonably wide, but they are as nothing compared with the space that separates the bride and groom on the subject of a wedding.

> when no one is up, and have the knot tied by a quiet and orderly Justice of the Peace, and get away on an early train

> > The bride's idea is

to begin early just as the groom does-but about three months earlier. And if her mind is a total blank on any one subject, it is on the lilies of the field. While the bridegroom is keeping himself under cover, avoiding his club, and beginning to take

on that feeling of utter insignificance which afterwards is trained into second .nature, the bride is pluming herself for the coming display. While the mind of any bride is not likely to be systematic, still she naturally divides her wedding into four periods: The Trousseau, The Present, The Actual Day and The Wedding

Trip periods. The only time she does penance is during the Trousseau Period when she is at the mercy of the dressmaker, but the rest of the time she is the only real object of interest to friends and enemies alike.

The only period during which the groom is recognized is when, after the ceremony, the old man takes him aside and whispers that, in his humble opinion, it is all "d-n nonsense!"

While weddings are usually held in churches where the bride, assisted by the man who has been waiting for months to get it over with, is married by a clergyman, this is not always the case. Where the "parties" have been married once before-not to each other. but to some one else-the ceremony may be performed by a Justice of the Peace, or a clergyman who has been awakened suddenly in the dead of night. This is none the less a social function nowadays, if the people are leaders and divorced.

As a rule, weddings are sadder than funerals-one never knows for sure what will happen afterwards.

Tom Masson.



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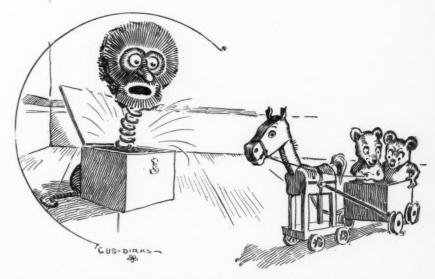
These little stories are delightful reading, and are full of that charming humor which Mr. Janvier knows so well how to infuse into his work.

Spencer and Spencerism. By Hector Macpherson. New York: Doubleday, Page and Company.

In the first fifty pages the reader feels as though he were being taken through the entire philosophical field in an automobile at the rate of thirty miles an hour. The remaining pages are devoted to an exposition of Spencerism, lucid, interesting and instructive. We detect a slight Boswell instructive. We detect a slight Boswell touch here and there, and there seems no need on the author's part of so strenuously defending Mr. Spencer's alleged materialism. As a whole the book is extremely well done.

Voices In The Night. By Mrs. Steel. New York: The Macmillan Company.

Not so stirring a story as Mrs. Steel's "On the Face of the Waters," and made difficult reading by the author's assumption that every one is familiar with the institu-



"THAT'S ALL RIGHT, MY DEAR, DON'T BE AFRAID. MY HORSE WON'T SHY."

tions and language of India. The book deals largely with the influence of British rule on the mental development of young India.

An Unsocial Socialist. By G. Bernard Shaw. New York: Brentano's. Mr. Shaw has created a set of characters

only one of which has a single attractive quality, and that is a childish vivacity which is soon lost. His book is neither entertaining nor instructive, and we are at a loss to understand his desire for a new edition of it after so many

> he Man that Corrupted Hadleyburg. By Mark Twain. New York and London: Harper and Brothers.

> This volume brings together in book form the stories and essays published by Mark Twain during the past three years in the magazines. They are well worthy of the more per-

manent form thus given them.

> OTHER BOOKS RECEIVED.

The Second Froggy Fairy Book. By Anthony F. Drexel Biddle. New York: Drexel Biddle.

Widow Magoogin. By John J. Jennings. New York: G. W. Dillingham.

A Book of Verses, By Robert Loveman. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company.

#### Not Free Silver.

KANSAS CITY, MO., June 23, 1900.

TO THE EDITOR OF LIFE:

Dear Sir: I would like very much to hear your explanation of why you are going to support McKinley for President, while denouncing his

McKinley for Fresiden, imperial policy.
Which do you consider the worst, the abandonment of the Constitution and all the principles that have made us the greatest nation on earth, or free silver, a thing which we always had prior to 1873? Will you please answer through your paper? Yours respectfully,

R. U. BOYLE.

WE are not going to support Mr. McKinley-nor Mr. Bryan. We are not going to support Imperialism or free silver. The issue of this campaign is Imperialism. The election of Mr. Bryan would not mean free silver. He could not force it upon the country if he tried. Congress is for gold, and will so remain.

Mr. McKinley's re-election — especially with Mr. Roosevelt at his elbow, would promise a prolonged and bloody orgie of Imperialism-that is, of conquest, debt and dishonor.

As to the two candidates personally, we prefer Mr. Bryan. He has convictions-such as they are-and he carries a spine.

THE AUTHOR: I wish I had time enough to write a good book.

HIS FRIEND: Why not take it?

"Can't afford to. I am too busy writing successful ones."



CLOSE TO THE MILLION DOLLAR MARK

#### A Modest Claim.

HE hot weather has come, and anything cool and calm is refreshing. Nothing could be more cool and calm than the

Republican party's claim to the responsibility for our national prosperity. The divine forces of nature which cause the rain to fall, the seed to sprout, and the crops to grow on our side of the ocean, and which cause dearth of food in other lands, have nothing to do with

The placid way in which Mr. McKinley and his advocates assume responsibility for the acts of Providence is calculated to make cold chills run down one's spine on the hottest of July days.

#### The Civilizer Is At It.

THE wicked Boers being conquered. the next step is to show them, in as many ways as possible, the moral superiority of the conquerors. This is easy. The following item tells us the good work is well under way:

AMSTERDAM, June 22.—The Netherlands Rail road Company of South Africa has received official notification of the expulsion from the Transvaal of fourteen hundred of its employees,

And yet nations exist with ignorance so dense as to entertain a prejudice against the Anglo-Saxon.



#### The Prince of the Masquerade.

THE Devil was dying of ennui; So he sauntered forth from his den, And he came by the Springs of Mundane

Things, And gazed on the Sons of Men.

II.

And he sighed at the Century's ending, For he saw the world at peace;

Then he cried, "Alack! have I lost my knack?

"These piping times must cease."

So he filehed a Moralist's mantle, And went on in his jaunty course, In his raiment fine, with the air benign

Of a Civilizing Force.

First he whispered a word to the Statesman: "Quiek, out with thy idle knife!

"Else the People, thy trust, will in harness

"Go, preach them the Strenuous Life!"

Of a people that lived in quiet,

The Devil demurely spoke: Go, Benevolent Man, to that Primitive Clan,

"And Assimilate those folk."

And the Statesman sprang, at the summons, And donned his warrior's coat;

Cried the Devil, "Hurrah!" as each man

With his hand at his neighbor's throat.

#### VII.

And straightway the Prophets of Progress Joined piously in the din;

And the Devil cried, "See! These My Ministers be, "And this is My Chamberlain!"

#### VIII.

He slyly spake to the Rulers:
"Is your ancient valour cold?"

And the seas grew black where the War-Ship's track

Made straight for the shores of gold;

#### IX.

Till the world was filled with mourning,
As they called for more and more;
And men held their breath as the pallid
Death

Rode proud in the van of War:

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Which so vastly amused the Devil,
That the tears ran down his face,
And he waggled his tail, as Men cried
"Hail!
"Make way for the Dominant Race!"

#### XI.

The Devil slipped into the Pulpit:
"'Tis the spread of the Cross!" he hissed;
And the Priest with a nod asked the blessing
of God
On the March of the Sanctified Fist.

#### XII.

With the voice of the People's Teachers,
The Devil disguised himself;
"Hurrah!" it rang, as the bullets sang,
"For Destiny, Duty and Pelf!"

#### XIII.

He laughed as the Backward Nations
Dropt into the Conqueror's maw;
And he chuckled long at the Poet's song
Of "The Spread of Christ's Word and
Law."

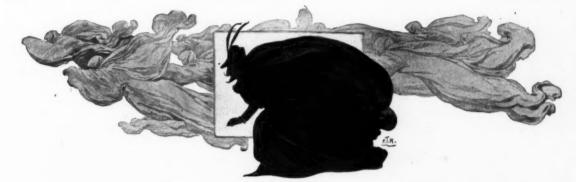
#### XIV.

And he shook his sides as he watched them, Nor once did his soft laugh cease, As the Dominant Race ran its ghastly pace In the Name of the Prince of Peace.

#### XV.

So the Devil went back to his study: Quoth he, with a wink and a nod: "Sure, the true way still to do My Will "Is to call it the Work of God!"

M'Cready Sykes.



#### Literary Personals.

UPON his return from South Africa, Rudyard Kipling will satisfy a long-felt craving and pay a protracted visit to Richard Le Gallienne. Since Mr. Le Gallienne has written his book on Kipling, he is said to have expressed a burning desire to know something about that author.

Professor Harry Thurston Peck is writing an article about himself, which will take up an entire number of a forthcoming Bookman. It is to be hoped that a supplement may appear to this number, containing what others think of Professor Peck.

Mr. Howells is writing a new novel of American medium life, which will be four hundred pages longer than any he has previously written, and will be issued in sixteen volumes. The action takes place during the entire period of one forenoon, and everything that happens during that forenoon will be faithfully set down. To help the reader, there will be a full index of conversations issued with each volume, without extra charge.

Mr. Winston Churchill is walking through Virginia on stilts, scraping off local color for a new historical novel, which he will publish very soon. Many readers will rejoice to know that Mr. Churchill has an entirely new character in this book, George Washington being introduced to the public for the first time in American literature.

Hall Caine has been on his Isle of Man estate since early spring, personally supervising the harvesting of a new crop of whiskers, which are said to be more luxuriant than ever. He offers choice cuts to young English authors at low prices, the stimulation due to the grafting of this type of adornment being very wonderful. It is confidently believed that, from their intelligent use, in two months' time a fairly good American lecturer can be produced.

J. M. Barrie, the eminent author, has in hand an elaborate article for *Scribner's Magazine* entitled, "Why I Am the Most Overrated Scotchman Writing for American Readers."



A HIGH JUMPER.

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BE READ TO. IT SAVES THE EYES



#### English in England.

"FIVE guineas down," said Dr. Leigh,
"Will be my bill," to Mrs. Knollys;
"It surely is a moderate feigh
For cutting off a dozen mollys!"
But neither rhyme nor reason weigh
With niggard patients such as sheigh,
So vulgar passion made her seigh,

"I'll seigh you sooner in the seigh!"

William Lincoln Balch.

#### The American Stomach.

MERICAN digestion is a triumph of evolution. The foods that in the effete stomachs of Europe produce dyspepsia, stupor, agony and nightmare, are in American digesters made the bases of corners, trusts and financial triumphs. This wonderful result is the product of long and painful years of education, training, selection and patent medicine.

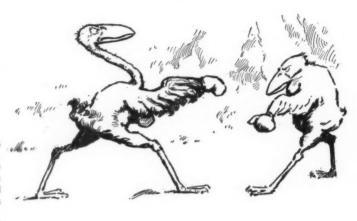
The French, with the pertinacious perversity of the race, invented the science of cuisine to make any food suit the stomach; the dogged, unyielding American has reversed this method and made the stomach suit anything deposited there. The American prophet has said, "Go to the Ostrich, thou Glutton!" And to approximate the ostrich, to give the stomach the digestive speed and perfection of the locomotive firebox, has been the aim and ideal of the American.

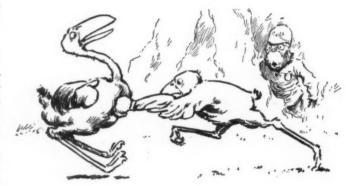
Those noble American bon bouches, the saleratus biscuit of the Sunny South and the meat pie of the pious North, are possible only on this Continent. Tried in the furnaces of ocean steamers and the interior of Harlem goats, they have produced disaster; yet inserted beneath the American waistcoat, with a soothing accompaniment of pump water-frappé-they have aided in raising the standard of civilization and spreading the missionary cause. No intelligent heathen will dine off a pie-fed missionary; no savage population can resist the fervid eloquence of a man inflamed with saleratus biscuit. That noble adjunct of American commerce-the quicklunch counter-was not possible in the simple days of the American Republic; the American digestion was not ready for it, but the Anglo-Saxon germ was already there. To-day the grim old business man, worn with the cares of spoiling his neighbors, walks resolutely to the rapid-firing lunch room, thrusts a section of pie and a marbletop sandwich into his stern, Puritan mouth, drops a quarter in the slot, and departs with a hard-boiled egg in each hand, and gets back in time to business to wreck a railroad. Time, three minutes, thirteen seconds.

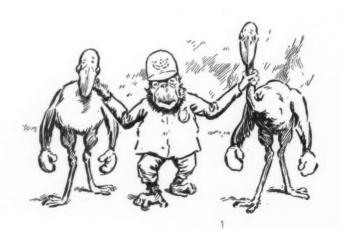
The American stomachic statistics are interesting, instructive, profitable. In 1841 two million tradesmen and merchants wasted two hours daily for three hundred days in the year at lunch, a loss of one billion two hundred million dollars, if time is estimated at one dollar an hour. To-day twenty-five million business men feed at midday, and if the same waste went on at union rates—five dollars per hour—we should have the appalling loss of thirty-seven billion five hundred million dollars, a sum sufficient to buy out Tammany, convert the heathen, finance the political parties, pay all the plumbers' bills of the Republic, and buy a spine for the President.

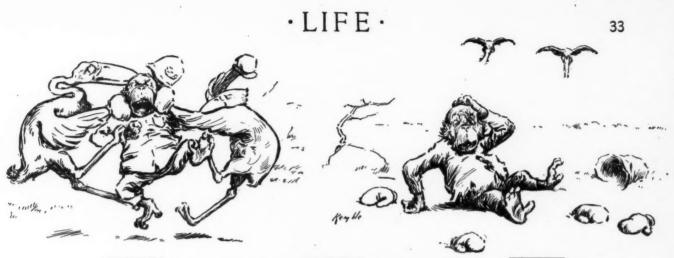
Professor McBane of Yale has been studying the relations of speed, food, mastication and digestion. He finds mastication superfluous. The average lunch at a Maxim quick-firing feed joint consists of one corrugated egg, one hard-shell pie, one rubber roll and three ounces of artificial beef. This was fed to an ostrich and three men from New York, Boston and Chicago, respectively. The

A DUEL POSTPONED









Yale professor used a stop-watch and a pedometer, with these results:

	Time	Time
	in eating.	in digesting.
New York	3 min. 5 sec.	4 hrs. 28 min.
Boston	2 " 47 "	4 " 34 "
Chicago	28 44	instantaneous.
Ostrich	4 44	3 wks. 21/2 ays.

These figures are eloquent. With the patent Edison feeder better time can be made, for a man has only to put his face to a pneumatic tube and ring a bell; the lunch room does the rest. Joseph Smith.

PIETERMARITZBURG, NATAL, 18th May, 1900. TO THE EDITOR NEW YORK LIFE.

Dear Sir: I should like to bring before your notice the manner in which the Dutch are treated in Natal at the present moment,

On the receipt of the news of the relief of Ladysmith the Transvaal flag was spread in the mud and "rickshas" drawn by Kafirs were run over it. The Dutch church was broken into and panes of glass were smashed and an effigy of President Kruger was burnt in the market square.

In consequence of such a state of affairs existing, it is only necessary to hint at so and so being disloyal, for that person to be immediately apprehended and imprisoned probably for months without trial, and as a natural sequence that person's property immediately confiscated and disposed of by public auction.

It has been ascertained that in most cases suspected Dutch farmers were arrested on the mere statements of natives (than whom there is no more untruthful people). These natives are invariably debtors to the accused and seek to escape their liability by such means.



FOR HOME CIRCULATION.

Dutch men and women arrested and imprisoned as suspects are of the highest respectability and have to submit to the greatest insults. The following means and methods are typical,

- (a) Lengthy imprisonment without trial.
- (b) Confiscation of property without trial. (c) Lodgment in gaols infested with loathsome
- vermin. (1) Herding of suspects with Kafir and coolie
- convicts. (e) Driving men under arrest along on foot, and unconscionably long distances (as much as forty-
- eight miles). (f) Desecration and defilement of places of worship (viz: Breaking into the Dutch Reform Church at Maritzburg and stabling horses and breaking up articles in the Dutch Church at Weenen).
- (a) Arrest and imprisonment of ministers of the Gospel.
- (h) Wholesale thieving in the name of loyalty.
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#### Ouestionable Taste.

THE Yale Alumni Weekly has a picture of a new mausoleum which is being put up at New Haven for a new Yale society, the Book and Snake. It is a nice tomb, in the form of a Greek temple without windows. It looks well, unquestionably, but why

should the Yale societies persist in living in tombs? They can probably stand as much sunlight as other socio-political organizations, and the affectation of mystery which the solid walls of their club houses suggest inclines grown-up persons to merriment. Moreover, it is easier to understand why the old clubs should stick to their gloomy halls than why a new club should pattern after them. 'It seems a pity that so disadvantageous a fashion should hold its vogue.

#### The Woman in the Case.

Scene: The Bluebottle Links.

LEVERTON: Want to go around, old man?

DASHAWAY: Thanks, but I expect some friends. Whittler and his wife.

CLEVERTON: Oh, yes. He plays, doesn't he?

DASHAWAY: Yes, a fair game. But she doesn't, thank heaven.

CLEVERTON: I was wondering about that.

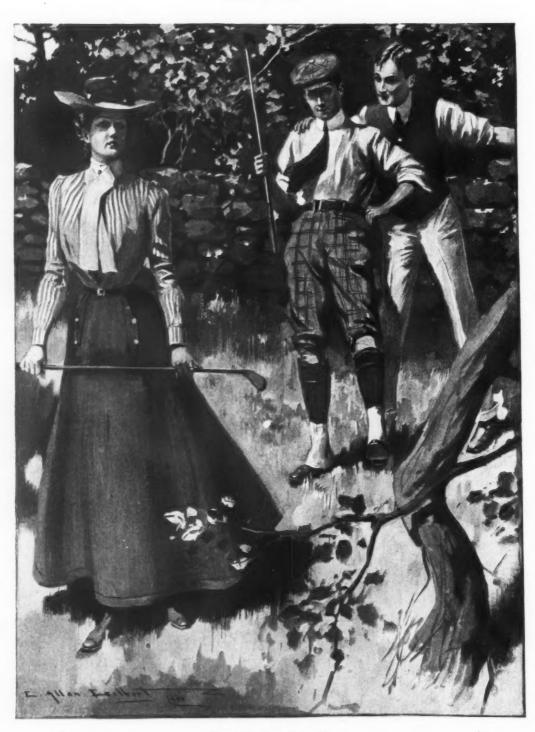
DASHAWAY: No, sir. I am too old a bird to ask a man and his wife when they both play. No woman in it for me! I'll introduce her to some people, and she can sit on the club piazza until luncheon.

CLEVERTON: Good. Here comes some one now. Well, I'm going to drive off.

DASHAWAY: Good luck. Here they are. Good morning, Mrs. Whittler. Delighted to see you. How are you, old man? So glad you could come.

WHITTLER: And I'm mighty glad to get here. Fine place you have.

MRS. WHITTLER (shaking hands cor-



THE WOMAN IN THE CASE. "Let's have anozzer."

dially): So good of you to ask us, you know.

Dashaway: My pleasure, I assure you. Hallo, old man, what you got so many clubs for? Why, half of them are new.

Mrs. Whittler: That's my secret.
Mr. Dashaway, will you believe it,
I'm learning to play.

Dashaway (heartsick): You don't say so?

MRS. WHITTLER: Yes, indeed. I went around last week with a set of borrowed sticks—excuse me, clubs—and I have been playing more or less ever since. I am just crazy over the game.

WHITTLER: I told my wife I thought it was an imposition on you for both of us to play to-day, but—

Dashaway (bravely protesting): Nonsense! I'm delighted to think Mrs. Whittler has started in. It will do her lots of good.

MRS. WHITTLER: There, Jerry. What did I tell you? I just knew Mr. Dashaway would like to have me play. All men are not so selfish as you are. But can't we begin now? I am so impatient.

Dashaway: Certainly. Here, boy. You caddie for this lady, and you two for us men. You drive off, Mrs. Whittler.

MRS. WHITTLER: Oh, dear, I'm so nervous. You make a tee for me, will you, dear?

DASHAWAY (gallantly stepping forward): Allow me.

Mrs. Whittler: Thanks. Now, I—Everybody says you are such a good player, Mr. Dashaway. I do hope you'll show me. I expect to learn so much.

Dashaway: Don't be nervous. Just stand easily and naturally and keep your eye on the ball.

Mrs. Whittler, after several fidgety attempts, brings her club down on the ball like a hammer, and it rolls off sideways into the bunker.

MRS. WHITTLER: Oh, dear. I just knew I would do that.

DASHAWAY: Never mind. Take it over again. Caddie, throw that ball back. (Aside to Whittler) While we are waiting, old man, will you have something?

WHITTLER (brightening up) : Why, I



"A large, refreshing drink."

don't mind. My dear, take a few practice drives. We'll be back in a few moments. (*To Dashaway*) My dear boy, I'm afraid this is a good deal of an imposition on you. The little woman is so interested in the game that I couldn't refuse to let her play without offending her.

Dashaway: Of course you couldn't.

I understand. Don't concern yourself,
old man.

Each takes a large, refreshing drink of good old Scotch whiskey, and they return to the tee. Mrs. Whittler has just driven her ball into the first bunker for the seventeenth time.

WHITTLER (calling out): Stay there, my dear, and we'll help you over (steps up and makes a hundred-yard drive. Dashaway follows with one of a hundred and fifty).

MRS. WHITTLER: Isn't this tan-

DASHAWAY: Let me show you. Hold the club sideways. Hit it well under. Try again (ball finally rolls over bunker).

MRS. WHITTLER: Now, what stick would you advise?

DASHAWAY: Try this cleek. Just try to hit the ball. That's the first thing.

Mrs. Whittler (fanning the air): Isn't it awful? I am afraid I am keeping you.

Dashaway (with deep meaning): What an idea! We are in no hurry.

WHITTLER: Keep cool, dear.

MRS. WHITTLER (sending the bail about three feet): Oh, dear. You'd better sit down and wait for me.

DASHAWAY: Oh, no, we won't do that. But I think I see a friend in the club house. Come on, old man, I want to introduce you. If you'll excuse us, we'll be back in a moment. Just keep right on.

MRS. WHITTLER (absorbed in the game): Certainly. I'll take that over. Caddie, please put it in a real nice place for me.

Whittler and Dashaway repair once more to the club house, where they take several drinks of good old Scotch. At the end of half an hour they stagger out on the course and dimly discover Mrs. Whittler in the distance, making desperate efforts to putt into the first hole.

MRS. WHITTLER (as they approach): Where on earth have you been? Do you know (still absorbed in her game) I am really doing better.

DASHAWAY: Let me show you (tries to hit ball).

WHITTLER (grabbing club away from him): Here! You can't play!

MRS. WHITTLER: Why! Oh! What is the matter? Oh, you horrid, low men! Disgraceful! You've been drinking!

She hurries away from them in high duageon, and walks back to the club house on the verge of nervous prostration.

DASHAWAY (leaning up against a stone wall): 'F I had a wife that played a game like that, I'd be full all the time.

WHITTLER: 'F I hadn't been drinking, 'n' you should say a thing like that, I'd knock you down, but as we both hit 'em up pretty lively, I can only say, old man, that I agree with you. Let's have anozzer.

#### THE NEXT MORNING.

MRS. WHITTLER: I want you to promise me that you will never take another drop.

WHITTLER: On one condition.

MRS. WHITTLER: What's that?

WHITTLER: That you'll never again try to play golf with any friend of mine.

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While Tammany stood aloof and held its nose, And looked at me with cold contempt, But, No matter Politics is a game The farm farmer is the fool That must be fooled this year. He sits, good honest soul Within his quiet home And dreams of some sweet time When a dollar can be made From fifty cents. A time which this deluded chump Will never see. And so, I sit, these several weeks, in silence : (O Lord : What a task !) While every whiskered Pop

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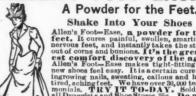


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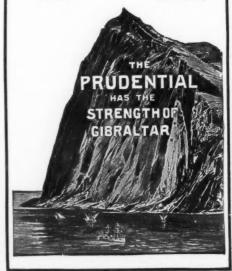
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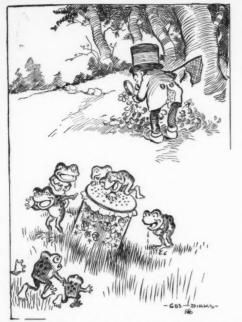
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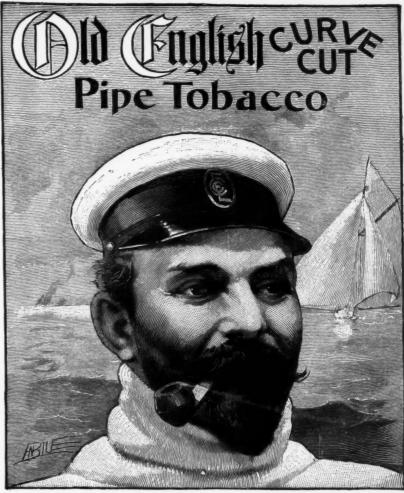
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